## City of Auburn/Cayuga County Homeless Task Force 2014 Local HUD Continuum of Care Competition

## **Request for Proposals for Eligible Homeless Projects**

On Tuesday September 16, 2014 the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) released the Notice of Funding Availability (NOFA) for the Fiscal Year (FY) 2014 for the annual Continuum of Care (CoC) Program Competition. Every year our community submits an annual application for homeless assistance through the HUD CoC Program Competition.

This year our community has \$300,779 available for HMIS, renewal or new projects (through reallocation). There is \$41,880 potentially available for one Bonus Project (however HUD has determined bonus projects will be selected based on need with 0 points being the lowest priority and 60 points being the highest and our CoC has been determined by HUD to have 0 points). If your agency would like to be considered for this years application please complete the attached renewal or new project local application form. *The deadline for submissions is Friday October 3, 2014 at 4:00 P.M.* Completed submissions may be mailed to:

**Rescue Mission** 

Attention: James Breslin, City of Auburn/Cayuga County Homeless Taskforce Chair 34 Wright Avenue, Suite 7 Auburn, New York 13021

Or may be dropped off in person to:

Renee Jensen, Community Development Planner City of Auburn Office of Planning and Economic Development 24 South Street Auburn, New York 13021

Applicants should read the NOFA *prior* to completing the local application. The NOFA may be viewed at <a href="https://www.hudexchange.info/resource/4032/nofa-for-fy2014-funds-in-the-fy2013-fy2013-coc-program-competition/">https://www.hudexchange.info/resource/4032/nofa-for-fy2014-funds-in-the-fy2013-coc-program-competition/</a>

Any questions regarding the 2014 local CoC Program Competition should be **submitted in writing** to James Breslin, City of Auburn/Cayuga County Homeless Taskforce Chair at <a href="mailto:james.breslin@rmsyr.org">james.breslin@rmsyr.org</a>

Questions will be answered within 72 hours of submission.

The City of Auburn/Cayuga County Project Ranking Committee will review, score, rank and select the projects to be submitted in this years competition. Project applicants will have the opportunity to present in front of the Project Ranking Committee. The Project Ranking Committee will meet on October 9 and October 10, 2014.

Successful applications will be required to enter their renewal or new project application in *e-snaps* by Friday October 24, 2014 by 5:00 P.M.

The CoC Chair will review projects submitted in e-snaps by Monday October 27, 2014 by 5:00 P.M. The CoC Chair may require agencies to make corrections in accordance with HUD and local guidelines. Project application corrections will be due by October 28, 2014 by 5:00 P.M. The City of Auburn/Cayuga County HTF reserves the right not to submit any project application that did not make the requested corrections. *Our community application is due to HUD on October 30, 2014 by 7:59 P.M. and we will not jeopardize all of our community funding for one agency or project that fails to meet a deadline.* 

For Further Information: HUD staff will be available to provide general clarification on the content of this Notice of FY 2014 Funds. HUD staff cannot assist applicants in preparing their applications to submit for funding.

- 1. Local HUD CPD Field Office. Questions regarding specific program requirements should be directed to the local HUD CPD Field Office, a directory of which can be found at <a href="https://www.hud.gov/offices/cpd/about/staff/fodirectors/index.cfm">www.hud.gov/offices/cpd/about/staff/fodirectors/index.cfm</a>
- 2. Training and Resources. Continuums of Care (CoCs) and project applicants that need assistance completing the applications in e-snaps or understanding the program requirements under the CoC Program may access the CoC Program interim rule (24 CFR part 578),1 training materials, and program resources via the HUD Exchange at www.hudexchange.info

3. The HUD Exchange Ask A Question (AAQ). CoCs, Collaborative Applicants, and project applicants that require information and technical support concerning this Funding Notice and the applications in *e-snaps* may submit an electronic inquiry via the HUD Exchange AAQ at <a href="www.hudexchange.info/get-assistance/">www.hudexchange.info/get-assistance/</a>
The AAQ is accessible 24 hours each day. Starting 2 days prior to the application deadline for FY 2014 funds, the AAQ will respond only to emergency technical support questions up to the deadline of 7:59:59 p.m. eastern time. Applicants that are experiencing technical difficulty should contact the AAQ immediately for assistance and document their attempts to obtain assistance.